Dodge County Land Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes 127 East Oak Street Juneau, WI 53039 August 29, 2016

The Dodge County Land Conservation Committee (LCC) met on August 29, 2016 beginning at 8:30 AM in Room 3A of the Dodge County Administration Building.

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by Chair Larry Bischoff at 8:30 AM with the following members present: Larry Bischoff, William Foley, Allen Behl, Lisa Derr, Dale Macheel, Dick Fink and William Muche.

Other Dodge County Board Members, Dodge County Staff and Agency Advisors Present: John Bohonek, Conservation Engineering Technician.

Excused: Marc Bethke, County Conservationist

Others Present: Jim Mielke, and John Bohonek, Conservation Engineer.

Approval of agenda and permit the Chair to deviate from agenda to efficiently conduct meeting: Allen Behl, seconded by Bill Muche to approve the agenda and to permit the Chair to deviate from the agenda to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

Approval of June minutes: Motion by Lisa seconded by Bill Foley to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as sent by mail.

Approval of July minutes: Motion by Allen seconded by Bill Foley to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as sent by mail.

Public appearances/comment: None

Agency Advisor Monthly Reports:

Review of bills and revenue: John Bohonek reviewed bills and revenue as shown on the attached listing.

Consider authorizing John Bohonek to sign documents in Marc's absence: Moved by Lisa Derr and seconded by Dick Fink. Motion carried.

Consideration of New and Revised Conservation Plans: None presented.

Consideration of Land Conservation Dept. Budget – Status of 2016 Budget/Proposed 2016 Budget: Budget is nearly completed. Jim Mielke will review with John Bohonek.

FFP Crop Report and Notice of Noncompliance. There was one notice of noncompliance from a farm in Brownsville. Allen moved to accept the notice and Bill Muche seconded. Motion carried. We have 30-35 who have not yet reported which is typical so the second notice will go out this coming week. This fall each farmer will need an identifying number for certificates necessary for them to claim the farm tax credit.

Consider 2016 Soil Erosion Transect Survey Results. The Survey check same points using GPS to get tillage practice and residue is done. Now they use a new program "SnapPlus." Shows how many acres are "no till" "management nutrient plans" etc. which presents trends. Farmers will now do their management nutrient plans with SnapPlus which will also become their conservation plan.

Land & Water Resource Management Program Status Report. (John Bohonek.) Working on getting data with help from Madison. John reported on the status of projects and has some land and water funds used for "hard money" (manure

storage, waterways, roof gutters) which may be carried over with a signed cost sharing agreement for one year.

Report from Nonpoint Runoff Work Group Meeting of June 8, 2016: John said that the group met.

County Conservationist Monthly Report: Significant Work and Activities and Issues. John is working on the certificate of compliance numbers and cost share agreements for land and water resource management status report. He hasn't yet found the report and might call Stevens Point where report originated. The tree program will be starting soon as well.

Committee Member Reports: Dale Macheel presented regarding the Fox Lake Inland Lake District, Kurt Hechle, Tim Meekma (acting chair), Cheryl Witkowski was reelected and Julie Flemming. There was a special meeting on August 4 with motions including excessive weeds, which is cyclical. Lake District's attorney attended and said the sewer system budget was not open for discussion. Annual Meeting was August 6 so a committee was formed to update the lake management plan. Invasive weeds have a specialized herbicide but with excessive weeds DNR allowed more general herbicide.

Bill Foley reported reported on the Beaver Dam Lake Improvement Assoc. which had their annual meeting. Curly leaf pondweed (May/June) study showed it was cyclical with 2016 being a lighter cycle. Reviewed lake management plan with 3 new initiatives for 2016 to expand buoys in additional areas based upon what was needed.

There was no report on the Lake Sinnissippi District as Bill was unavailable. But he attended presentation by Robert Byrd Discovery Farms from UW Extension has been very willing to assist farms with runoff and educational issues.

Correspondence: None

Per Diems: Allen moved and Lisa Derr seconded that all regular per diems be paid. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, September 26, 2016 beginning at 8:30 AM in Room 3A of the Dodge County Administration Building, 127 East Oak Street, Juneau, Wisconsin.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before this committee, motion by Derr, seconded by Dale to adjourn at 10:30AM. Motion carried.

Larry Bischoff, Chair

Lisa Derr, Secretary

LAND CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT BILLS & REVENUE

(BILLS)

OfficeMax - Miscellaneous Office Supplies	=	\$ 13.06
Two Landowners – Land & Water Cost Share Payments	=	\$ 4035.85
Wheeler's Laura's Lane Nursery – Down Payment for 2017		
Small Packet Trees	=	\$ 4810.00
TOTAL	=	\$ 8858.91

(REVENUE)

FPP Fees	=	\$ 125.00
	TOTAL=	\$ 125.00